

Cynthia Anne Castillo, President and CEO, CSSI

Cynthia Anne Castillo is president and CEO of CSSI, a company that delivers safety innovations, system engineering and operational efficiencies for government and private sector clients. She assumed responsibility for the company in 1993, when CSSI had only 10 employees, \$250,000 in revenue and had just received its first prime contract with the FAA. Under Castillo's leadership, CSSI has successfully graduated from the Small Business Administration's 8(a) and Small Disadvantaged Business programs and has earned a solid reputation for quality, integrity and loyalty.

An advocate of both professional and personal growth, Castillo serves on the board of directors, as a member, and as a mentor in many professional organizations, including the Small and Emerging Contractor Advisory Forum, the Air Traffic Control Association, Women in Aerospace, the Tower Club, Vistage International, the Women Aviation Network and the International Aviation Womens Association.

Castillo has received many awards from nonprofit organizations and business publications, including the Washington Business Journal's Women Who Mean Business award, SmartCEO's Brava award and the Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship "Locally Grown" award.

Castillo began her career at Hughes Aircraft Company. She is a graduate of the University of California at Los Angeles with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mathematics and Applied Science.